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## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING

The Chamber of Commerce held their regular meeting last Monday evening at the Spanish-American office and transacted considerable business of importance. Several left-over matters were brought up and discussed and disposed of.

The matter of employing an assistant secretary was brought up and W. H. McCarger was elected as assistant secretary. It was also decided to get out a booklet advertising the whole Mesa and its numerous resources and advantages. The membership committee reported a number of new members. The drive for membership will be continued, and they expect to make it 100 before they quit their work.

The printing of the by-laws was left over until the next regular meeting, which will be in February. There will be a called meeting of members on Friday night of this week to attend to some left-over matters which were not closed at the Monday meeting on account of the absence of the secretary, Mr. Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Strawn have a fine boy at their home in the Pleasant View neighborhood since the 18th. In some manner we overlooked this last week, but anyway it is news, and we might add the little fellow weighs 10 lbs. and that Dr. Plumlee says all concerned are doing nicely except C. A., and he will be all right in a few days or as soon as he recovers from the shock.

Mrs. H. C. Bowen of Colorado Springs, Colo., who has been visiting her son, J. C. Bowen and wife the past few weeks, returned to her Colorado home last Wednesday. Mrs. Bowen did not tell us, but we are of the opinion she came to see young Bowen, Jr., more so than Clint and wife.

G. H. Morris of Solano was attending to business in Roy this week.

## ALICE JACKSON OF MILLS PASSES AWAY

Alice Jackson of Mills died Monday at 9 o'clock at the Tucumcari Hospital after undergoing a serious operation. Miss Jackson had been in ill health since before Christmas and her condition became so serious that she was taken to Tucumcari the latter part of last week and an operation performed to save her life but to no avail.

Miss Jackson had been sales lady in the Wilson store the past three years and previous to this was a teacher in the Mora and Colfax County schools.

Her sister Mrs. Mary Earnshaw, of Kansas City, Mo. and niece Miss Lucile Baugh, of Pleasanton, Kansas were with her when she passed away.

She has a large number of friends at Roy and Mills who will mourn her early death for her sweet disposition had won for her numerous friends at both places.

The body was shipped to Shawnee, Kansas a suburb of Kansas City on Tuesday evening where the funeral services were held Thursday and the body laid to rest by those of her parents in the beautiful Shawnee Cemetery.

The Spanish-American will publish a complete obituary in next week's issue.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell from near the county line east of town is reported dangerously ill with pneumonia. As we go to press we learn that he is improving slowly.

**A great BIG Lead Pencil Tablet for only five cents at the Floorsheim Mer. Co.**

## I AM THE FARMER

I am the provider for all mankind, upon me every human being depends; a world itself is built on my toil, my products, my honesty; because of my industry, America, my country, leads the world; her prosperity is maintained by me, her great commerce is the work of my hands, her balance of trade springs from the furrows of the farm; my reaper brings food for today, my plow holds promise for tomorrow; in war I am desolate, in peace I am indispensable, my country's surest defense and constant reliance. I am the very soul of America, the hope of a race, the balance wheel of civilization; when I prosper men are happy, but when I fail the whole world suffers; I live with nature, walk in the green fields under the sunlight out in the great alone, where the brain and brawn and toil supply mankind's primary need, and I try to do my humble part to carry out the great plan of God; even the birds of the air are my companions, they greet me with a symphony at the new day's dawn, and chum with me until the evening prayer is said; if it were not for me the great treasures of the earth would remain securely locked, the granaries and the great store houses would be useless frames, man himself would be doomed speedily to extinction or decay; through me is produced the energy that maintains the spark of life; I rise with the early dawn and retire when the chores are done; I am your true friend—I am the FARMER.

R. P. Shaya is attending to business matters in Springer this week. We understand that Mr. Shaya's insurance business is going to keep him on the road considerable during the spring and summer.

Mrs. J. L. Hayes and son Guy Hayes and Mrs. Hayes, who have been visiting relatives and friends in and near Roy the past week, returned to their Raton

## LIGHTNING STRIKES

*Residence of J. B. Lusk Practically Torn to Pieces*

During the rain storm last Sunday morning, lightning struck the residence of Attorney J. B. Lusk, who lives in the north part of town and practically tore the house to pieces.

The women folks were busy arranging the dinner meal, and the rest of the family were seated in the living room when all of a sudden there was a blinding flash and a crash. The entire family was stunned or knocked unconscious. The daughters, Misses Lena and Jeanette, were the first to become conscious, and found their mother lying on the kitchen floor, their father and smaller brother and sister on the living room floor, and the whole house filled with smoke and soot. Mr. Lusk and the younger children soon became conscious, and the mother was carried to a bed and a doctor called.

The flash that struck the house burned out every phone in Roy except two, and there was a blinding flash in every house in town. Almost everyone thought that it was their own home that had been struck.

After the accident a number of neighbors rushed to the house and did what they could to relieve those injured. Mrs. Lusk was carried to the Plumlee hospital and cared for by Dr. Gibbs, who also treated the others who were injured.

Mrs. Lusk was standing near the stove when the accident occurred, and the lightning flashed from the stove and to her body and tore the shoes from her feet. She was severely burned about the lower limbs, and her feet were also torn and bruised. Lena, the eldest daughter, was also burned and received a number of bruises. Those injured are reported doing nicely, and unless some complications set in both are practically out of danger.

The lightning seems to have come down the chimney, down both stovepipes, and flashed through the entire house, breaking every window in the house except two in an off bedroom, and blowing several holes through the walls and ceiling.

Just how the whole family escaped death is a miracle, for all were near stoves, and they seemed to be the full conductors of the current. Benton, the younger son, was playing with the dog, which was lying near the heating stove, and the dog was killed but the boy was only knocked unconscious.

The house, which was a 4-room cement block, was shattered, and the chimney blown from the building. If the house had been a frame it would have been burned to the ground.

Mr. Lusk has a bunch of men at work this week repairing the house, and will be ready to re-occupy it by the latter part of the week. Most of the furniture was demolished by the explosion, and it will be necessary for them to get practically all new furniture.

Mr. Frank Phillips of Waterloo, Iowa, is reported quite sick at the Plumlee Hospital.

Mrs. Henry Stone, who has been in the hospital since her fall several weeks ago, was removed to the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. Kilmurry, last Tuesday. Mrs. Stone is improving nicely, and will soon be recovered from her recent injury.

R. Lopez left for Santa Fe last Tuesday to attend to business matters and look after and help in the new county proposition.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Parks have a fine little boy in their home since Sunday, the 23rd, in the Brand neighborhood. The little fellow weighs 10 lbs., and Dr. Plumlee reports mother and babe doing fine and that Homer will be able to come to town by Saturday, and his many friends know he will have a fine box of cigars with him when he strikes town.

Mr. and Mrs. James Waggoner of near Gladstone report a fine baby boy who tips the scales at 8 lbs. Dr. Self reports mother and babe doing fine at the Self sanatorium.

## NEW COUNTY NEWS

A number of business men and residents of the Mesa gathered at the Spanish-American office last Saturday evening to discuss the new county situation. The matter was given a thorough discussion, and the new proposed bill gone over. The outlines as proposed were accepted, as the only differences were on the matter of leaving the county seat open to the vote of the people. It was decided to send a delegation down to Santa Fe to help the sponsors of the bill if necessary. It is expected that the bill will be introduced the first of next week and probably sooner. The one sentiment among those present was that we need a new county, and let's get it and settle the county seat matter later.

## M. E. CHURCH

We have made arrangements through the kindness of Rev. Cooke and the Christian church to have Rev. Alonzo Bright preach in the Christian church next Sunday night at 7.30. Dr. Bright needs no introduction to the people of Roy. Come out and hear him.

H. G. GARDINER, Pastor.

**Ladies, Visit the Roy Trading Co. Store; First shipment of Ladies and Misses Spring Hats just arrived.**

Mrs. I. H. Hornsby, of Dawson and well known at Roy, is reported very low at her home in that place. Her brother Henry Campbell left for Dawson Tuesday to be at her bedside.

The little babe of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Warner is reported quite sick at the family home east of town.

Harry Kingsbury was in Roy from Mosquero the latter part of the week visiting his mother, who is at the Plumlee hospital.

## FINE RAIN VISITS MESA

A fine rain began falling all over the mesa last Saturday morning and continued all day Saturday and Sunday, with a severe electrical storm Sunday forenoon. Over an inch of moisture fell over the mesa, which practically insures another bumper wheat crop for this year. The rain fell slowly and steadily and practically every bit of the moisture went into the ground. The farmers are all feeling fine over the 1921 crop prospects.

Rep. J. W. Beck, who is attending the legislature at Santa Fe, spent Sunday and the first of the week with home folks.

Ellis Abernathy is reported quite sick at his home north of town, suffering with a severe attack of tonsillitis and la grippe. As we go to press he is reported much improved.

The public schools opened again last Monday, after being closed a week on account of a mild outbreak of scarlet fever.

T. A. Turner, one of Mills' hustling business men, was in Roy last Saturday and arranged for an ad in the Spanish-American for 1921. Mr. Turner is an up-to-date business man, and believes in printer's ink.

Tom Strong and family, who have been visiting relatives and friends in Mansfield, Mo., and Nickerson, Kans., for the past month, returned home last Saturday. Tom reports a fine visit but is glad to get back to Roy.

C. E. Seybold, who has been attending to business matters in Texas the past few weeks, returned to Roy the latter part of the week.

Mr. Wm. T. Jackson of Salisbury, Mo., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. R. H. Bentley, this week. This is Mr. Jackson's first visit to the Mesa, but like everybody else he is well pleased with the Mesa.

## MESA CO-OPERATIVE STORE NEWS

An old friend of ours, representing one of the largest shoe factories of the country, called on us Tuesday to make arrangements for spring business. "Our prices are forty per cent under last season" was his message. "You can now retail a splendid shoe for FIVE DOLLARS." Thought we would just pass this on to you as a bit of information as to the new prices.

The R. R. disappointed us on our coal, but it is now here, and at the rate it is going that car of nut wont last long.

We have just taken on a Tailoring Line. Let us make you a new suit. Every pattern shown is absolutely all wool, and the workmanship of the highest class.

As a little special in canned goods we offer you "Solid pack" tomatoes "Utahs" at \$1.50 per dozen cans. This is a good buy. Sauer Kraut \$1.25 per dozen cans. A good soap Twenty Bars—\$1.00.

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